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BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY



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Local mayor running for state office

by Joni Jones
Copy Director

Maryville could have a new local voice in Jefferson City after the November election.

Mayor Bridget Brown filed Monday as a Democratic candidate for state representative in the Fourth District, which includes Atchison, Nodaway and Worth counties.

She will be running against current Republican representative Rex Barnett, however, nominations will close at the end of this month.

Deciding to run was something Brown had been contemplating for awhile.

"In the back of my mind, I knew I would do this somewhere down the road," Brown said. "I tried to seek others out for the position, but several people approached me. At first I thought 'give me a break,' but then more people started asking me questions about running, and it started a self-examination on my part."

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Board adds varsity soccer

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Women's soccer was approved as a varsity sport at Wednesday's Board of Regents meeting.

The approval will allow the soccer club to begin intercollegiate play in the fall of 1999 and become a part of the MIAA.

"There was a tremendous interest from the students in women's soccer," athletic director Jim Redd said. "It will provide more athletic opportunities for women to compete in college."

In its inaugural year, women's soccer will run under an operational budget with field improvements. At that time, a coach will also be hired to replace Greg Roper, who is currently working as a volunteer coach.

In the fall of 2000, scholarships will become available for the sport.

The team will continue to train and play as a club. They will play in a tournament later this spring and have already scheduled at least eight games for the fall.

Funds for the sport were raised by the club itself. As a college sport, it will cost an about \$16,400 a year, Redd said.

The Board also approved plans and bids for the construction of a water pavilion and an international walkway by Colden Pond.

The water pavilion is to be a memorial to Karen Hawkins, a Northwest student who was killed three years ago. The structure would also serve as a memorial to all students who have died during their tenure at Northwest.

The structure will be a concrete slab, approximately 20 by 40 feet, with a wooden trellised or latticed structure pavilion over all or part of it.

The International Plaza will run between the parallel sidewalks that run north and south from College Avenue to the Student Union.

The design would incorporate a series of flags and the complete layout would support 100 flag poles.

Celebrating the green

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

Rainy and dreary weather did not stop people in Maryville from going out and celebrating St. Patrick's Day Tuesday.

Colby Carleney, manager of the World Famous Outback, said business was extremely busy despite the weather. He also said the crowd seemed to be calmer and more laid back this year.

"People were getting along really good," Carleney said. "I was kind of surprised how people were acting toward each other. Everyone was having a good time and enjoying the festivities."

Festivities did not make the bartender's job any easier. "It was fun, but at times it was hard keeping up," said Jennifer Engelke, bartender at the Outback. "People were drinking and having a good time which kept us busy."

High times were before and after the parade and later that night, Engelke said.

The bars were not the only ones trying to keep up with the swarms of people during the day.

Keith Wood, Maryville Public Safety director, said that it was definitely busier than any other Tuesday.

Three people were arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and two individuals are being charged with affray, Wood said. There were minor in possessions issued as well.

It was a long day for the officers because they basically worked from 11 a.m. to 3 a.m., Woods said.

"It was pretty much what we expected," Wood said. "It was an average St. Pat's Day."

KDLX 106.7 Channel X, the campus radio station, and the Residential Hall Association attempted to put a different spin on the holiday.

KDLX broadcasted live from the Palms from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Employees of the station also participated in the parade and handed out compact discs.

The event was successful and there was a tremendous turnout, said Maleko McDonnell, KDLX promotions director.

"I was amazed with the amount of people that got up at 6:30 a.m. and get drunk," McDonnell said. "As far as our staff is concerned, there was a tremendous turnout. That is something that is important to KDLX."

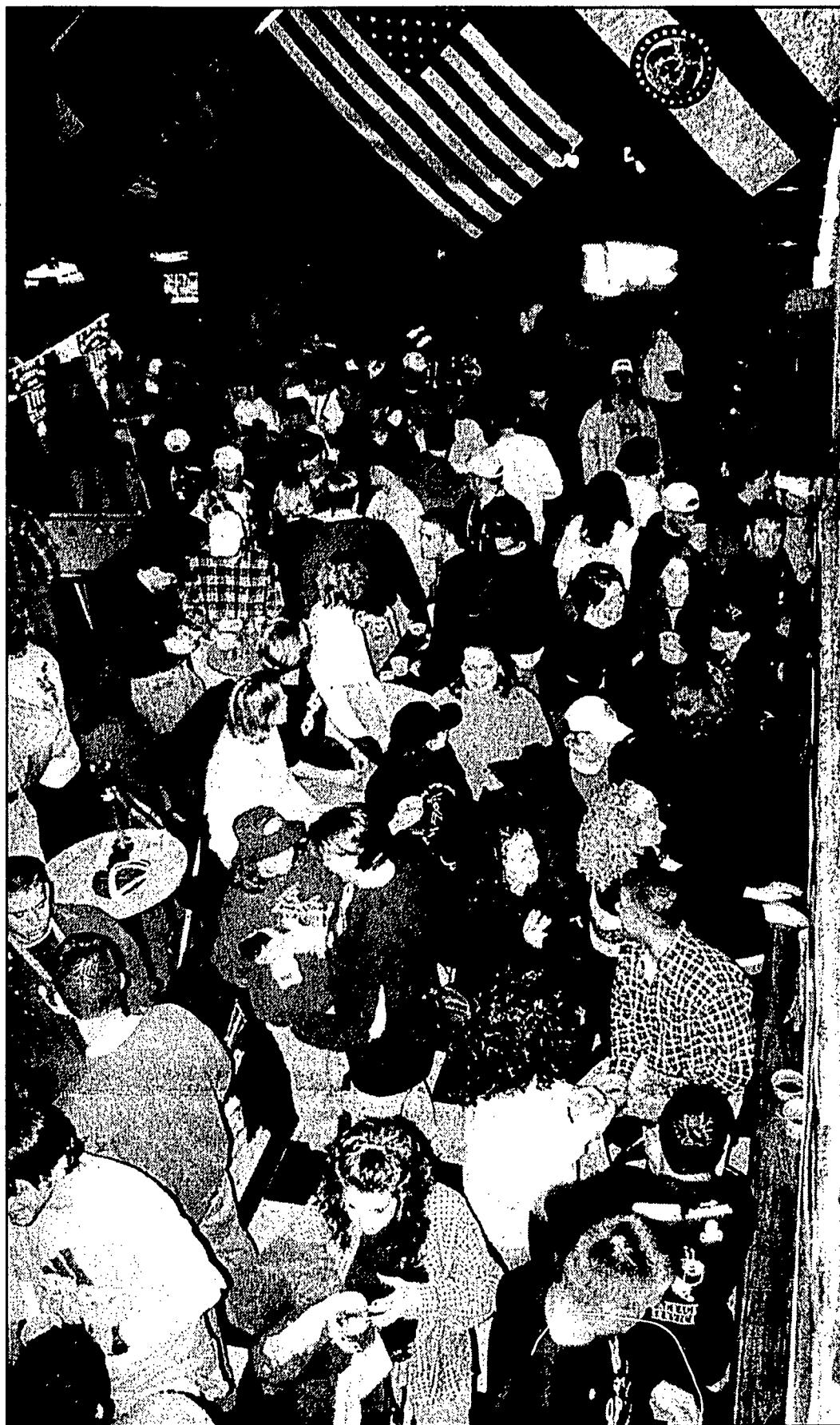
The day went really well considering all the work that was involved, McDonnell said.

For the second year in a row, RHA sponsored an alternative to drinking and going to the bars.

"The Green" consisted of mocktails, virgin Jell-O shots, a variety of games and dancing to music including a little Irish music.

The evening was still a success even though there was a better turnout last year, RHA programer Jamie Gaston said.

SHAMROCKS & SHENANIGANS



A large crowd of Maryville residents and Northwest students gather at the World Famous Outback to celebrate the St. Patrick's Day festivities Tuesday. Although the weather was rainy, it did not damper people going out and having a good time.

Jennifer Meyer/
Photography Director

Water debate initiates change

by Erica Smith
Advertising Director

A territorial exchange between Maryville and the Nodaway County Public Water Supply District No. 1 was proposed Tuesday to try to solve problems between the two entities.

According to the recommendations of a three-panel committee, the city and district need to agree on territorial boundaries. Each will be able to serve water to pre-specified areas.

Although no consensus was reached, it was proposed that the district take over water service along the west side of the city limits and allow the city a half mile to three-fourths mile expansion area on the north, south and east sides of Maryville.

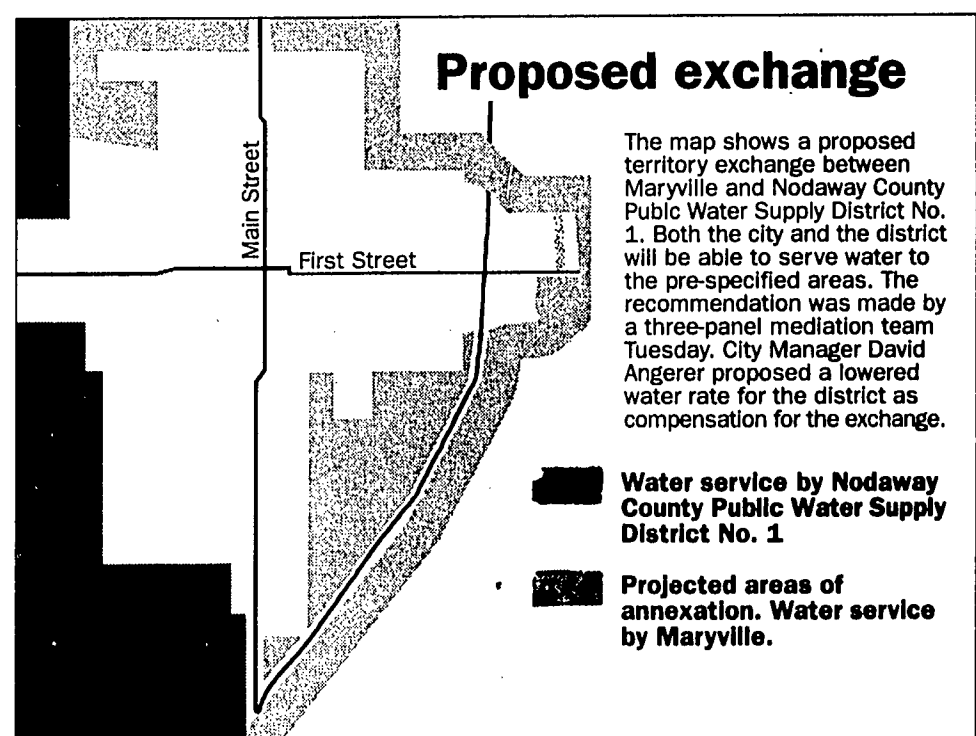
City Manager David Angerer proposed a lowered water rate for the district as compensation for the exchange. Both the exchange and the proposed lower rate will be discussed during future meetings.

It was also suggested the district have an amount of time to provide facilities in recently annexed areas, including fire flows. Newly annexed areas with water provided by the district, such as the Maryville Treatment Center, do not have fire hydrants or sprinkler systems because the district's water lines cannot hydraulically support them.

The committee reminded the city that with a territorial exchange, it may be necessary to add facilities, such as taps. The team said facilities should not be withheld except in infrastructure problems. The district currently has five taps.

The mediation team also recommended the sole source provision of the 1977 contract between Maryville and the district be revoked. This would allow the district to purchase a specified percentage of water from other origins. The district currently relies on Maryville as its sole provider for its water and is the largest buyer of water from the city.

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Proposed exchange

The map shows a proposed territory exchange between Maryville and Nodaway County Public Water Supply District No. 1. Both the city and the district will be able to serve water to the pre-specified areas. The recommendation was made by a three-panel mediation team Tuesday. City Manager David Angerer proposed a lowered water rate for the district as compensation for the exchange.

Water service by Nodaway County Public Water Supply District No. 1

Projected areas of annexation. Water service by Maryville.

Erica Smith/Advertising Director

Speaker shares experiences of life in Washington

■ Former president's daughter criticizes media's portrayal of politicians

by Stephanie Zellstra
Assistant News Editor

Insight into the type of lifestyle a person has while living in the White House is what students, faculty and community members received Wednesday night.

Julie Nixon Eisenhower presented the second James H. Lemon Founders Lecture at Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Eisenhower is the daughter of former President Richard Nixon and is married to David Eisenhower, grandson of former President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

She focused on current affairs, recollections of growing up as the then vice president's daughter and the way the media and living in the White House has changed since her time there in the '60s and '70s.

"I feel empathy for anyone who lives in the White House. It's like living in a fish bowl. Everything you do is documented and measured."

■ Julie Nixon Eisenhower, Founders Lecture speaker

"I feel empathy for anyone who lives in the White House," Eisenhower said. "It's like living in a fish bowl. Everything you do is documented and measured. It was also a very different time then. The public can't seem to get enough of the White House occupants though."

Living in the White House is difficult for the first family to enjoy a normal life. Although she was in college when her father became president, she and her sister Tricia still felt the media attention because of her father and Watergate. It is a very positive thing that the media has left Chelsea Clinton alone during the recent scandal allegations, Eisenhower said.

Recent allegations made Eisenhower criticize the media's coverage of politics. She said that citizens do not really understand who the major political leaders really are.

The people who run for political office are not your normal, run of the mill people, she said.

"Those that run, run because they are driven; they have dreams and goals and want to serve," Eisenhower said. "My father ran because he felt he had something to contribute."

Eisenhower ended the lecture by taking questions from the audience on a variety of topics.



John Petrovic/Staff Photographer

Julie Nixon Eisenhower addresses the media during a press conference Wednesday. Eisenhower spoke about the lifestyle in the White House to students and community members at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

My Turn

Snow storm causes recent week of hell

Campus Safety — You never see them but they are there. If you think you can trick them, think again. And don't worry, they will not make any exceptions on your behalf, no matter what the situation.



■ **Burton Taylor**

Campus Safety adds distress to busy life

During last week's blizzard that El Niño granted us, I along with hundreds of other Maryville residents and students, found our cars stuck in one, if not two, snow traps.

In my particular case, I was stuck in the middle of Franken Hall's parking lot because my little VW does not have as much pep as one might think.

Once I decided to give up on trying to free the little golf cart, I went in to talk to my hall adviser about the situation.

He told me either to dig it out or call Campus Safety to get some assistance.

I, being the athletic type, chose to make the call.

I called and talked to one of the safety people and was told essentially that if I did not move my car or pay to have it towed I would receive yet another ticket from the University.

I don't know about the rest of the students on campus, but another ticket from those wanna be police officers and they will have collected \$100 from my unemployed butt.

I have gotten tickets for some of the stupidest things, and frankly, I am sick of it.

Tell me what you think of this story: I was driving off the campus that I love so dearly and pulled onto Fourth Street at about 1:30 a.m. on a Friday night.

I noticed one of those unmarked cars behind me (great disguise guys). I played it cool. I was not about to get in some kind of uproar because he was behind me.

As I was driving with him behind me, I figured the farther I got from campus the better, so I turned right by the Fine Arts Building. What did he do?

That's right, he followed me. I was questioning his reasoning for following me but was not distracted.

I turned again, and so did he. After that, he flipped on his lights of power and pulled me over.

Now, I don't know what he could have pulled me over for because I went out of my way to drive like a pro once I noticed him. I used all of my signals and made sure not to speed or swerve to the side. I could not figure it out but was sure that he would let me know.

He slowly approached my car with his flashlight in hand and asked me for my license. I gave it to him. He then went on to ask me if I had been drinking and I responded "no."

I asked why he felt like pulling me over and he replied "You did not make a complete stop at that intersection back there."

"Excuse me, what intersection?" I said. He went on to tell me that I did not stop all of the way coming off campus on to Fourth Street.

I told him that I did stop all of the way and then asked him why it took him so long to come to that conclusion.

He was flustered. He handed me my license back and he let me go. The only thing I was thinking was what a waste of time the whole thing had been.

It's kind of funny how you can give some Joe off of the street a flash light and an unmarked car and suddenly he thinks he is that melting cop from the movie "Terminator."

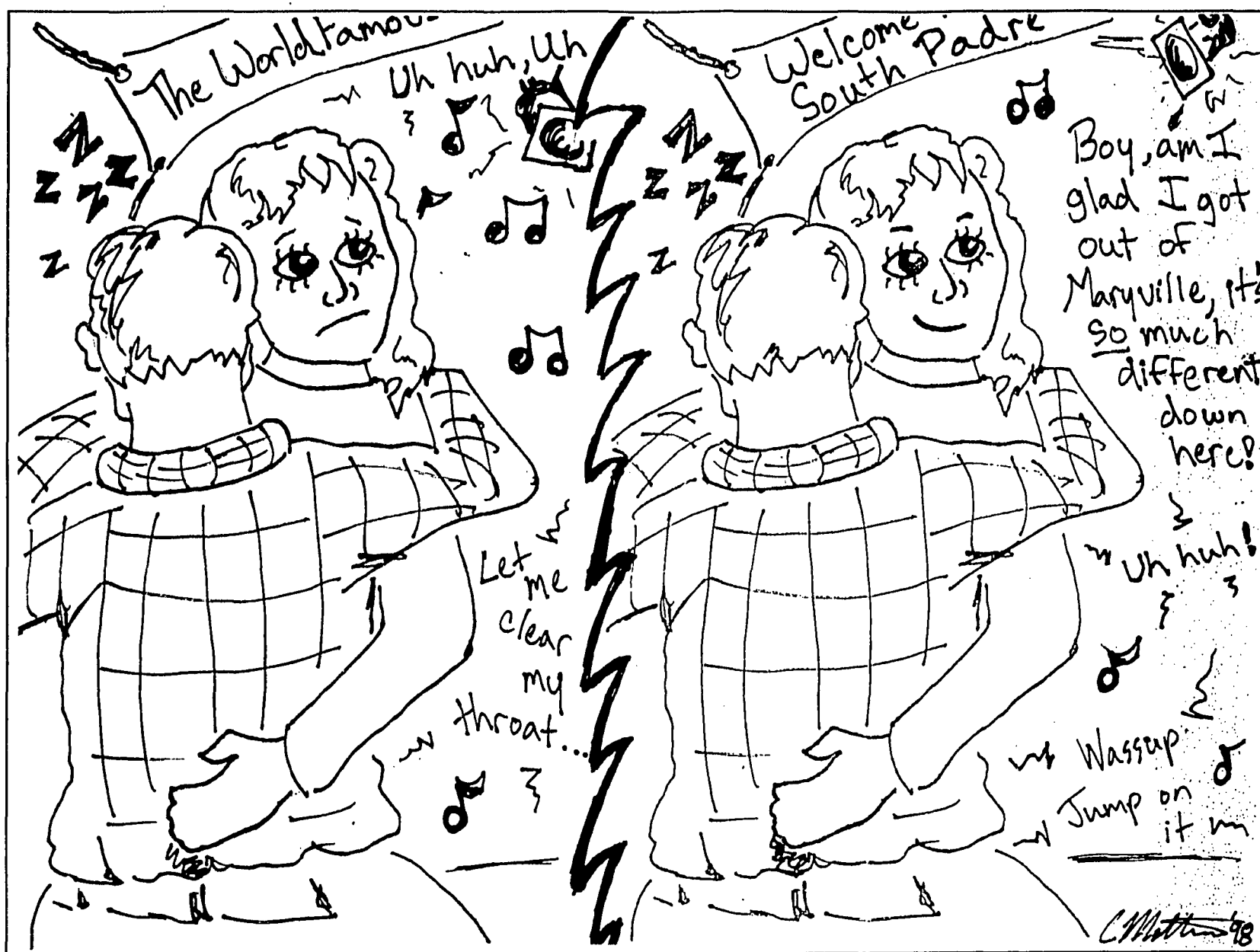
You may be asking yourself, man is this guy having a bad week?

Yes, in fact I am. My car got stuck three times. I lost my stocking cap and one of my editors snapped at me for not knowing anything about a story that I had no clue about.

Oh yeah, I was not able to drink on St. Patrick's Day either.

So for all of you people who are having a week from hell, compare it to mine. And yes, I do blame it on El Niño.

Burton Taylor is a chief reporter for the Northwest Missourian.



It's Your Turn

What are some safety precautions that should be taken for Spring Break?



"Don't ever accept a drink from a guy unless you see the bartender open it."

Dwayne Saucier, finance major



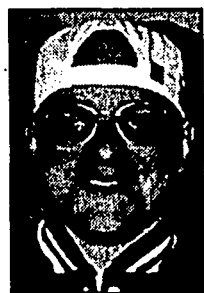
"Remember your alcohol limitations and the name of your hotel."

Dave Douglass, broadcasting major



"Everyone needs to look out for everyone and make sure everyone is in a safe atmosphere."

Frank Taylor, communications major



"Behave yourself and use common sense."

Dave Purnell, corporate recreation major



"To not lose your head at all times and to be a responsible college student and represent the college well."

Ryan Deal, computer management systems major



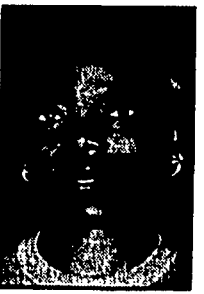
"If you are going to take home a guy ask how many girls they've slept with."

Allie Zaroor, public relations major



"Don't drink, smoke or vomit too much and walk everywhere. Beware of pick pockets."

Kit Ketterman, broadcasting major



"Number one precaution is not drinking and driving. For those going to tropical resorts exercising cautions of not being intoxicated and swimming."

Vernie Greenaway, computer management systems major

Our View
OF THE UNIVERSITY

Silent epidemic faces college campuses

Rape is the silent epidemic facing many college campuses across the nation. Rape is not talked about or brought up enough. The victims keep their stories to themselves — living with their trauma alone.

Women have a one in four chance of being raped on a college campus. In most cases, the victim knows the person who attacks them. This is known as acquaintance rape or date rape, and it happens too often without being reported. Date rape cannot be ignored anymore.

Katie Koestner spoke to a small crowd of approximately 100 students last Thursday about her personal story of being a rape victim and the injustice she experienced. Koestner mentioned several times she wished more men would have attended her lecture.

They needed to hear that when a woman says no, she means it. It's not that she finally gave in or she really didn't mean it when she said no — it is rape.

A woman many not even realize that she has been raped. Rape can be defined as sexual intercourse without that person's consent and chiefly by force or deception.



Just because she said yes after 15 no's, doesn't define consent.

Rape is not just a problem on other campuses but also evident at Northwest. Students need to take date rape seriously and realize that it happens right here in our sheltered environment.

Date rape cannot be ignored anymore.

The lack of students, both men and women, going to listen to Koestner shows that students need to become aware of the many untold stories about rape that happen on our campus.

The campus setting provides an obstacle for victims on whether to prosecute or not. Many times, it ends up being his word vs. her's. Women need to file a report with officials soon after the incident to even consider prosecution. Alcohol is a factor which tends to lead to negative results when trying to prosecute.

Most women bottle up what happened and keep their horror stories to themselves. Being

a rape victim involves a personal story that women are unfortunately afraid to share with authorities.

Too often, women decide that the shame and publicity of going through a trial is not worth it.

Victims need to be sure to receive support from trusted friends, family members or counselors. If more women share their stories, the problem can eventually be prevented.

Koestner's case was not handled the way she wished. She lost support from her family, friends and the campus and her perpetrator basically received a slap on the hand. This unfortunately happens too often with rape cases that occur on campus.

Yet she still continues to share her story so it will never happen again.

Prosecuting a rapist is difficult and traumatic. Although, if the necessary steps are taken, it can turn out for the best.

The only way the silent stories will be heard is if we stop ignoring the problem that deteriorates many innocent victims.

Date rape can no longer be ignored, but must be addressed, dealt with and cured.

Maryville View

Street department prepares for improvements



■ **Jay Cacek**

Crew looks ahead to summer plans for city

Maryville's street department currently consists of six full-time employees, three laborers, two equipment operators and me — street superintendent.

We have three open positions and hope to hire three full-time employees soon to fill those positions. We have been three laborers short since last fall, and a full crew will be very helpful, especially with a busy summer coming up.

The street department maintains the city streets, which includes patching, filling cracks, chip and seal, etc. We also maintain storm sewer drainage ditches, sweep the streets, trim trees, perform sign maintenance and replacement and citywide spring and fall cleanup.

As winter sets in, some of these duties are set aside to make time for salting and snow removal. Since I have assumed the role of street superintendent, the weather has been a big factor in getting my feet very wet for my new position. We have

had to involve the park and recreation department, the water maintenance department and the Mozingo maintenance department to help out with the recent storm.

I have worked for the street department four years and this is the worst snow storm I have seen. Older heads say it was the worst storm in 20 years. Our crews worked around the clock, from Saturday until Wednesday, putting in a total of 468 hours and removing 556 dump truck loads of snow from the uptown area. I am very proud of a job well done by all those involved.

Plans for the upcoming summer are to complete asphalt overlay projects on several city streets. We will overlay over 40 blocks of street, including Walnut Street, from West Lincoln Street to its end; Sunset Drive; Prather Avenue, from Mulberry Street to North College Drive; West Fourth Street parking lot; North College Drive, from West 16th Street to the University; East Jenkins Street, from

Vine Street to Laura Street; and 500 block of West Ninth Street to the University.

Preparations for this project include putting new tubes in and ditching before work can begin. We also will have a permanent street program being done on East Thompson Street, from Vine Street to Charles Street. All of these projects will be a big plus to Maryville. Hopefully, we can continue both of these projects in the future.

With all the work to be done, we intend to keep patching streets, performing maintenance on ditches, trimming trees, crack sealing and other maintenance and repairs that are needed. With all the work that needs to be done, there is no way it all can be done in one year.

We will continue working to complete as many projects as possible and provide the best streets we can to you, the residents of Maryville. All your cooperation and support are greatly appreciated.

Jay Cacek is the Maryville street superintendent.

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■ Northwest Geography department receives recognition



Chris Murr seeks help from tutor Brandy Haan on a map problem for his introduction to geography class. Northwest's geography department was named No. 2 in the United States and continues to stay in the spotlight.

Darren Papek/Photography Director

Students continue tradition

by Jason Klindt
Missourian Staff

Three geography majors continue to help the department stay in the national spotlight. Geography majors Robert Aschertrop, Michael Spriggs and Mark Rinehart received an internship for a \$2,000 stipend and a choice of over 200 companies to intern with this summer.

"These companies are some of the largest employers of students coming out of the geography field," said Don Hagan, geography department chairman. "This will hopefully lead them into very successful careers."

The Automated Mapping/Facilities Management of Aurora, Colo., chose the Northwest students along with six others from a field of over 1,000 applicants. In the past, no school has ever had more than one winner.

"I was shocked I got it," Spriggs said. "I almost fell over."

Students submitted an application that included an essay and were evaluated on content, recommendations, academic record,

classwork completed and extracurricular activities.

"I am very proud," Hagan said. "This speaks well of the program."

The Northwest geography department is not a stranger to the national spotlight.

Northwest was named the No. 2 program in the United States according to a study by the Association of American Geographers in 1990. Hagan said Northwest may be No. 1 in the nation.

"Since that time, we have doubled in the number of geography majors we have," Hagan said. "In proportion to school size, we have the most majors of anyone in the country and in pure size we are No. 2."

There are about 300 geography majors and minors at Northwest. The faculty's commitment to teaching career information and advising are what puts Northwest at the top of the field, Hagan said.

"We take advising very seriously," Hagan said. "We also take advantage of the electronic campus and the support given to us by the dean of the department."

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■ Don Hagan
geography department chair

The teacher to student ratio was also an important factor when judging the geography program, Spriggs said.

"Every teacher knows my first and last name and that is important," Spriggs said.

This marks the third year that Northwest has had at least one winner in the national contest.

Senate initiates discussion

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

Amidst the typical chaos during lunch in the Spanish Den, Student Senate conducted a forum Wednesday.

Senate members solicited questions from tables, while other members served as a panel on the stage waiting to answer the questions from the podium.

During the two-hour forum, students proposed questions about construction, renovations and parking.

One concern that came up was the lack of lighting in parking lots around campus.

In response, Angel McAdams, Senate vice president, announced that a concern for lack of lighting in the parking lots had been voiced to the administration.

Apparently, the problem is being fixed in conjunction with the campus construction. When the construction on campus is completed, the parking lots will be lighted.

Senate members announced some of the results of Wednesday's Board of Regents meeting as well.

The purpose of the forum was to address issues and get the students' opinion on them, Angel Harris-Lewis, Student Senate president said.

"We hope to use forums like this to clear up issues with the students," Lewis said. "We are making an effort to go to the students, get input and feedback from them and give us the opportunity to hear concerns we may have never thought of before. With the forums, we are bringing a Senate meeting to students."

Senate hopes that by implementing monthly or bimonthly forums, students will attach a face to the names of Senate members.

Future forums will allow students to know more about what Senate is doing, share future plans and voice their concerns, Lewis said.

Professor shows off at exhibit

■ New York arts festival features local teacher

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

A Northwest art professor was selected to present his works at a prestigious exhibition which began March 9.

George Rose, associate art professor, traveled to New York last week to participate in the annual Invitational Exhibition of Painting and Sculpture sponsored by the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

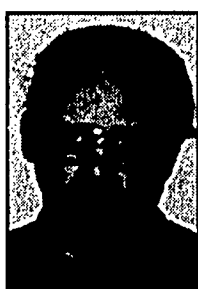
Initially, 100 artists were nominated by members of the American Academy to submit their works.

That number was then narrowed to 28, and Rose was one of those selected. He exhibited four of his landscape paintings.

Rose was excited to go to New York after his works were selected in January.

The person who actually nominated him for the honor is also still a mystery, Rose said.

This honor is the most significant, although he has exhibited numerous



■ George Rose

works in the past, Rose said.

"I have submitted my works at several occasions going back 30 years," Rose said. "But this is the first time in this particular show, (and) it is more significant. There is no doubt about that."

Lee Hageman, art department chair, was pleased with Rose's honor and said he is an excellent painter.

"Mr. Rose is one of the most outstanding painters in the United States," Hageman said. "Besides being well-recognized within the region here, he is really a noted painter within the United States. So, he truly deserves the recognition."

Although Rose did not tell his students, they were proud of him.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

The Concert of Brass and Bells took centerstage at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Sunday. Music was featured from five local churches and the Northwest Brass Quintet. The concert has taken place the past 15 years.

Annual concert fills Mary Linn with music from local churches

■ Brass and Bells bring excitement to community

by Burton Taylor
Chief Reporter

While some come running for dinner when they hear bells ring, others give standing ovations.

The Concert of Brass and Bells was Sunday at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Five churches from Maryville and the Northwest Brass Quintet joined in the annual performance.

Mary Linn was filled with people from the different communities to listen to songs such as "Amazing Grace" and "When the Saints Go Marching In."

The number in attendance surprised director Karen Hoskey.

"The evening went really well," Hoskey said. "More people attended than we have ever had in the past."

Both children and adults from the church choirs played in the concert and Hoskey said it was a good experience for both age groups to play for the concert.

"Having the community and the University are a good mix and a good partnership," Hoskey said.

They have performed the concert for the last 15 years. Hoskey and the other directors have organized each show.

The children did a great job and they enjoyed the concert as much as the adults, Hoskey said.

"The thing that is so neat about the bells is that you don't have to know how to read music, and that's why it is good for the kids," Hoskey said.

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Shadowing opens future doors

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Eighth-grade girls took a step toward their futures during Job Shadowing Day Wednesday.

Eighty Washington Middle School and St. Gregory's Catholic School students were paired with professional women throughout Maryville to gain experience in a field of their choice for the day.

Charity Troncin, WMS student, learned all about radio by spending a day with Sharon Bonnett, KXCV/KRNW station manager.

"It's always a fun experience," Bonnett said. "It takes you back to the time when you shouldn't assume things and you realize how much there is to be learned about a profession."

Bonnett taught Troncin everything from production and programming to putting together a newscast and dealing with budget concerns. They also sat in on a KDLX broadcast.

"I think most people come to a radio station and think DJ," Bonnett said. "I try to show the different kinds of jobs, behind the scenes as well as in front of the microphone that you have to choose from."

Radio broadcasting is a profession Troncin has been thinking about since seventh grade.

"It was fun working in production and voice changing," Troncin said.

Jody Strauch, mass communication instructor, helped two St. Gregory's students, Jami Longenecker and Lindsay Stiens, learn about computers and public relations. They had the chance to talk to a public relations pro-

fessional as well as use the Internet and take a peak at the University's modular learning program.

The purpose of the day, which was sponsored by the Nodaway County University Outreach and Extension Council and the Maryville Branch of American Association of University Women, is to broaden girls' horizons by having women mentor them. This provides the girls real-world experience, said Margaret Hart, co-chairwoman of the AAUW Job Shadowing Committee.

Several months of planning went into the day of activities. To help the committee match the professionals and the students, the girls were given a list of potential careers to job shadow. They filled out an application that included an interest survey and an essay about what profession they want to pursue after graduation from high school.

Students were matched with professionals, enabling the students to observe and participate in their professional career choice.

"Sometimes, it's just as good for a student to find something they don't like, rather than find something they do like," Hart said.

Hart visited with the eighth-graders at WMS and St. Gregory's prior to the program to stress the necessity for women to work in today's world.

"There are a lot more choices of careers open to women than in the past," Hart said. "It's extremely important to start thinking about career choices now so they can plan their classes in school and prepare for college."

Job Shadowing began as a summer program in 1991. It started as a full school day for eighth grade girls at Washington Middle School in 1994.



Adriana Albors/Missourian Staff

Broadcasting major Sandra Andes reads the daily log to Charity Troncin in the KXCV studios. Troncin was taking part in the job shadowing experience. Troncin was

shadowing a day with Sharon Bonnett, KXCV/KRNW station manager. Eighty Washington Middle School students took part in the exercise.



Adriana Albors/Staff Photographer

Students at the Access 2000 workshop take part in an etiquette dinner. The event was held to help rural students explore career opportunities.

Colorful personalities

Students demonstrate array of different hues

by Angela Patton
Missourian Staff

Area students had a golden experience finding and sharing their true colors.

There were 107 high school freshmen, sophomores and counselors from 15 area schools at the day-long "Life is Filled with Color" workshop Wednesday at the University Conference Center.

The event was sponsored by Access 2000 to help rural students explore career opportunities.

Students participated in a color survey designed to identify personality types and relate them to careers. After completing the color survey, students were divided into four personality groups.

"I got to see what kind of person I am and how I can work with people who are different from me," said Jennifer Barmann, Maryville High School sophomore.

Students were able to see personality similarities and discover differences between the groups while working on a project.

People who are classified as curious greens enjoy challenging games and activities and constantly ask questions, while action oranges are very spontaneous and love to have fun. True blues are emotional and concerned about others, and solid golds are very organized and responsible.

"It's important for people to understand we aren't all alike," said Mary Jo Williams, "True Colors" presenter. "The differences are what make us special and understanding those differences help us to work together better."

Williams is the 4-H Youth Development Specialist at the University Extension in Columbia.

The students were served a formal dinner, and Karma Metzgar, nutrition specialist at the Maryville Extension Office, gave a social etiquette presentation.

"Regardless of whether you are at school, in a restaurant or on the job, the first impression is what makes the difference," Metzgar said.

Students were also challenged with etiquette trivia questions.

Board discusses name for new middle school

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Make up days on the school calendar and suggestions for a name of the new middle school were among the items discussed at the Maryville R-II School Board meeting Wednesday.

Inclinite weather forced schools to shut down eight days this year. Three snow days are built into the school calendar, but the others will have to be made up.

In order to make up the days that have been canceled and to meet the number of school days required by the state, the Board

recommended to approve May 29 as the last day of classes instead of May 21 at the April 22 Board meeting.

"The way the weather has been, we'd hate to adopt that change on the calendar and have to make another change later," superintendent Gary Bell said.

A name for the new middle school was also discussed.

A committee to submit possible names for the new school was directed to Bell.

"It does not necessarily mean there will be a change, but there have been some suggestions that we look at a name," Bell said. "There's a possibility it may still be Washington."

A motion to declare the building trades house located at 920 Forest Street as surplus property and give the Board authorization to advertise the sale of the house was approved.

Bids will be received at the Board meeting April 22. The minimum bid required is about \$137,000. Bidders with that base amount will be allowed the opportunity to increase their bids.

Two grants were also approved by the Board, including a microfilm grant which will update the district's microfilm records from 1978 to 1988.

The district is also applying for an A+ Schools Grant through the efforts

of Mike Jordan, English coordinator and assistant principal at Maryville High School, and John Zeff, Northwest Technical School.

There are certain courses and procedures the school district follows that can guarantee students tuition assistance for attending community colleges, Bell said.

In addition, the Board briefly discussed the state of the district's building project.

The project was working about two weeks ahead of schedule. Although, the recent weather has slowed the pace to fall behind by about two weeks.

Home, garden show unites businesses

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

The second annual Home and Garden Show brought 24 businesses and numerous patrons together last weekend at the Maryville High School gymnasium.

Companies in and around the Maryville area displayed products ranging from furniture to lawn machines. Some businesses sold products as well.

Attendance was slightly lower this year, but the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, who sponsored the event, was still pleased with the outcome.

"I just want to say thank you for everybody coming here," said Judy Brohammer, executive director of the Chamber. "I think it has been really good (on Sunday), (although Saturday's attendance) was a low flow."

Tim Spire, co-chair of the event and Meyer's Pro Flooring Center owner, said it is important for local businesses to gather.

"It was something I thought worthwhile for the community and for myself, a local business owner, to be involved in and to give us a time we can merchandise or market our products to a wide variety of people that are in the market," Spire said.

Spire, the co-chairman for two consecutive years, was satisfied with the turnout.

"I think we had an excellent show," Spire said. "We had a constant flow of people, and they seemed interested in the products on display."



Darren Papak/Photography Director

David Ramsey, marketing and communications manager at United Electric Cooperative, persuades customers to purchase products.

Last year's success encouraged businesses to continue to participate in the show. Nodaway Glass was one of them.

"It affects (our business)," said Jennifer Henry, Nodaway Glass co-owner. "It gets your name out and people hear that you are here for them. It's very important to come."

The event also attracted businesses outside of Maryville. Some of

them were also satisfied with the event.

"It's worth coming out," said James Beemer, owner of Golden Memories from Bedford, Iowa, a company that sells antiques and new furniture. "We had a lot of people who did not know where we are (located), but they know now."

Beemer said he sold some products and made a profit, although he,

as well as the other businesses, had to pay dues for the booth space.

In addition to Golden Memories, Brown & Co., a mortgage services company from Warrensburg, came to the show to advertise its company. It is planning to open an office in Maryville soon.

"I thought there would have been more people," said Suzanne Rasmussen, branch manager of Brown & Co. "But it was nice, because I had time to talk to people."

Although residents were pleased with the event, they were looking for more of a variety.

"I liked to look at how various things are available and get some ideas," Maryville resident Keith Smith said. "I'd liked to see more things obviously, but I liked it. It's good to get ideas and see some of the options."

The Chamber of Commerce revived the show last year after a hiatus of several years. The event became an annual event this year, and many businesses hope to continue it in upcoming years.

"A couple of the booths are talking about doing every other year," Brohammer said. "But I really think we need to do it every year to keep the continuity going — so people know every spring Maryville has a home show."

Brohammer said although the decision is up to businesses, not the Chamber, she hopes they understand the importance of continuing the event annually.



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Public Safety

March 10

■ An officer served a Gentry County warrant to Benjamin F. Ellis, 41, Maryville, for passing bad checks.

■ A Wal-Mart employee reported observing a male take an item off the shelf and put it into a bag and leave the store without paying for the item. The subject then left in a vehicle.

■ A 1998 Isuzu was towed from the 700 block of West Third Street where it was illegally parked.

March 11

■ A 1988 Pontiac was towed from the 200 block of West Fourth Street where it was illegally parked.

March 12

■ A 1983 Pontiac was towed from the 800 block of North Mulberry Street where it was illegally parked.

■ An officer in the 400 block of North Main Street observed a vehicle driving over the posted speed limit and then over the centerline. The vehicle was stopped and driver was identified as Bradley W. Honnold, 20, Clarinda, Iowa. While talking with

him, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he could not complete field sobriety tests successfully and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

■ An officer observed a vehicle make an illegal turn onto Fourth Street from Main Street. He stopped the vehicle and while talking with the driver, Jason G. Pollan, 18, Parkville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he failed to complete the tests successfully and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. During the arrest process, the officer found drug paraphernalia in his possession along with driver's licenses belonging to others. He was issued citations for making a prohibited turn, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of others' driver's licenses.

■ While performing an inspection at a local establishment in the 300 block of North Main Street, the following summons were issued: Jonathan M. Mueller, 18, Maryville, for being in a bar under 19; and Brian M. Froelker, 20, Maryville, for minor in possession.

■ While performing an inspection at a local establishment in the 400 block of North Buchanan Street, an officer observed Kurtis W. Neely, 19, Holden, set a cup down and push it away. Neely was issued a summons for minor in possession. Jacob C. Walter, 19, Guilford, was issued a summons for possession of an altered license.

March 13

■ An officer observed a male subject urinating in the 300 block of North Market Street. He was identified as Michael E. Dean, 25, Reserve, Kan., and was issued a summons for indecent exposure and released after posting bond.

March 14

■ A warrant for failure to appear was served on Daniel A. Falk, 19, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

March 15

■ An officer arrested Demetrius G. Yarbrough, 23, Maryville, on charges of disorderly conduct following an incident in the 1800 block of South Main Street, where a female subject was being harassed. He was released after posting bond.

■ A Maryville male reported that while his vehicle was parked at his residence, the front tires were slashed.

March 16

■ A 1989 Chevrolet was towed from the 500 block of North Market Street where it was illegally parked.

■ A Maryville female reported that her cellular phone had been taken from her residence in the 500 block of West Seventh Street.

■ A Maryville male reported that while he was walking in the area of Buchanan and Halsey streets, a vehicle drove by and struck him on the arm, knocking him to the ground. The vehicle did not stop. It is possible the driver did not realize the vehicle had struck the male subject.

■ James N. Ferguson, 27, Maryville, was arrested on charges of domestic assault and released on bond.

March 17

■ Officers received information from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department about a warrant for second degree burglary on James B. Marable, 19, Dow City, Iowa. Marable was located in Maryville and arrested on the warrant. He is being held for bond.

BROWN

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This will be a soul-searching experience for Brown.

At this early stage in the race, Brown only wants to concentrate on listening to what the people want.

"This (the race) is going to take a lot of time," Brown said. "I think now is the time to listen. I need to concentrate on regional issues. I have been focusing on city issues, now I need to change. However, some of the regional concepts are the same as the city concepts."

Being an advocate for the people of northwest Missouri is what Brown really wants, she said.

"In all areas of my life, I have known I needed an advocate," Brown said. "I have a basic understanding of how things work. I have a responsibility to listen."

Brown also realizes that she may not be able to influence legislative changes right away.

"I have no grand illusions about what can be done by one individual," Brown said. "The (Missouri) House of Representatives is made up of 163 representatives. If you are going to be one voice, you better be a loud voice, and there is nothing I enjoy more than bragging on home."

Although this will be a new experience for Brown in many ways, some

of it will be old hat.

"Customer service has been my job for several years; that is what makes (running for office) so appealing to me," Brown said. "My work has prepared me for this (in many ways)."

Along with serving as mayor since 1997 and a City Council member since 1993, Brown has also managed Cotter Travel since 1987.

With those many duties, the decision to run for office will shake things up a bit. However, she is planning ahead.

Her term as mayor will end when the Council reorganizes after the April election. She already discussed her plans with her employer at Cotter Travel.

"I have already made arrangements with the office staff (at Cotter Travel)," Brown said. "I will be there less than I am now, and it will reorganize everyone's life there, not just mine. It will take a tremendous amount of consideration on everyone's part."

Her family, which includes a daughter, Julie, and a son, Rob, have also encouraged this career move.

"The kids have been great and very supportive and pleased," Brown said. "It is a wonderful thing that I have greater freedom in my life right now. They are both on their own, traveling their own roads. They can support me, and I can support them."

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WATER

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The district should also be able to sell water outside district boundaries and to unaffiliated entities, such as Barnard or Elmo.

The committee was brought together by Randy Railsback, executive director of the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, after prompting from both the city and the district.

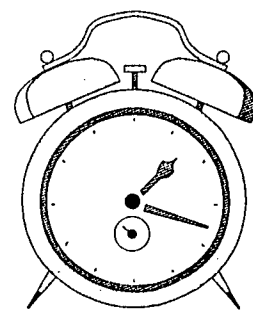
"The city and the water district have become aware of just how far apart they were in some problems that have been arising as far as annexing new areas into the city and serving those customers," Railsback said. "After having failed numerous times to work out some agreements (by themselves), they contacted me and asked if I would help mediate something like this. I suggested that we bring in three other people."

The three committee members in-

cluded Bill Hills, environmental engineer for the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jerry Feller, Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities executive director, and John Hoagland, Missouri Rural Water Association field representative.

"The first step is for them to both recognize and consider the others right to grow," said Hoagland. "The next step is to initiate meetings and open dialogue. We'll return in May to get a sense of accomplishment."

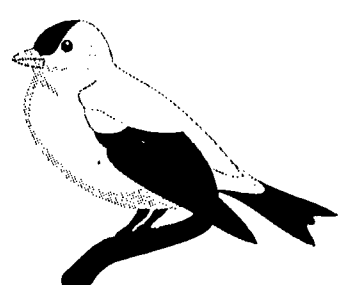
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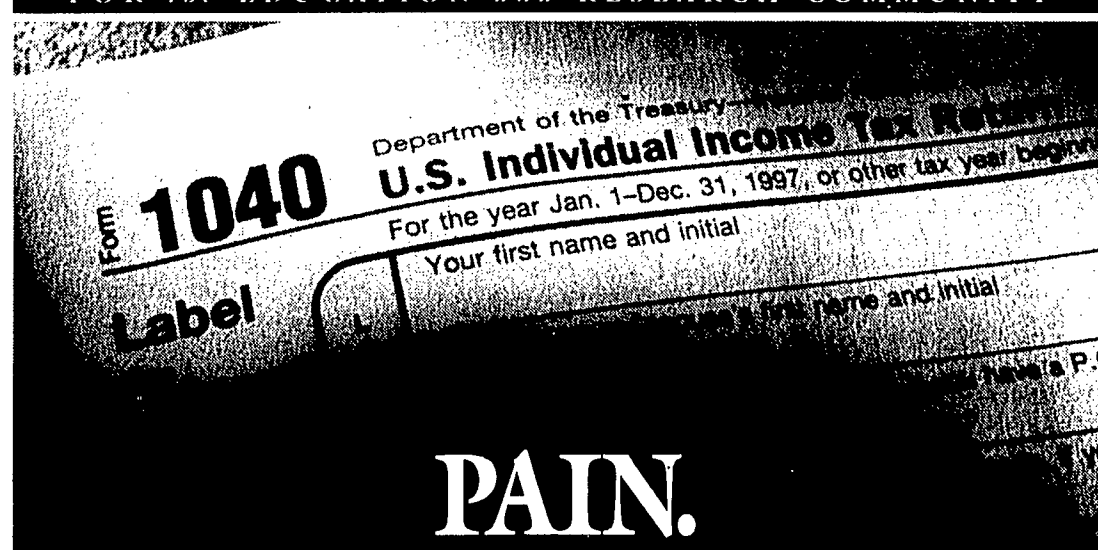
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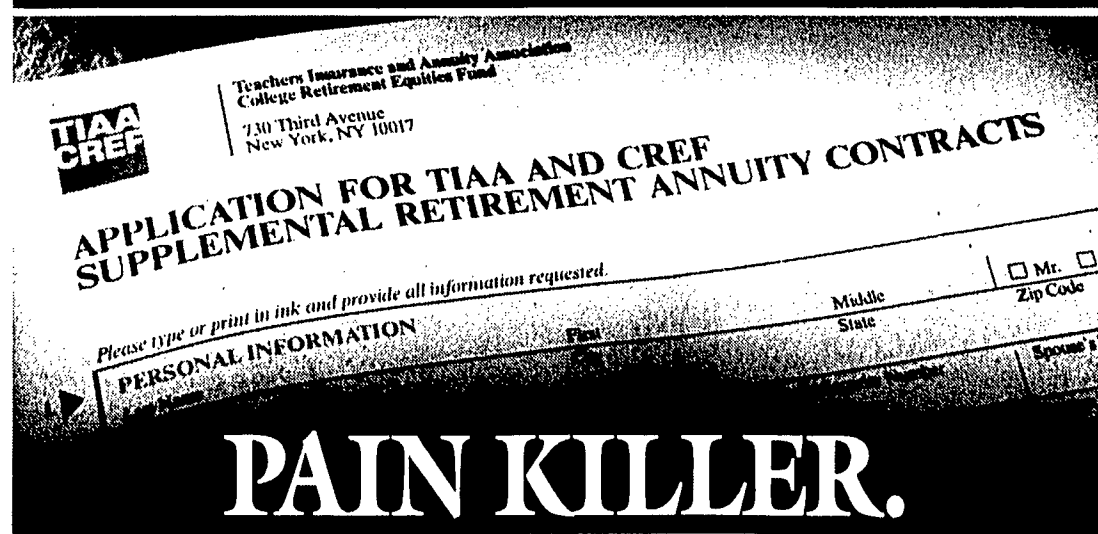
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Softball begins season

'Cats look to Hawaii

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The women of summer are breaking out the bats and balls and heading onto the field with high hopes. Although the softball team played its first games Feb. 24 against Missouri Western, chalking up a win and a loss, the season is just getting into full swing for the women.

The Bearcats will be jumping into a summerlike atmosphere, playing its next several games in Hawaii over spring break.

The women will take on Brigham Young University of Hawaii and Southern California Thursday. They will play the University of Hawaii-Hilo Friday at the Hawaii Hilo tournament in Kona, Hawaii. They will play in a single-elimination championship Saturday.

The team plays Hawaii Pacific and Brigham Young-Hawaii Monday and Tuesday in Oahu.

The team has two main goals for the trip to Hawaii, head coach Pam Knox said, to go out and win and to work on team defense and pitching in the decent weather.

The team will depend on its numbers to have a successful season.

"There are no superstars," Knox said. "We have a strong nine on the field and are strong on the bench as well. These women are determined

to win conference. It's a team effort."

Depth, work ethic and team effort will play key factors for the women.

"We are looking to better our third-place conference finish from last year, and we have the talent and depth to do it, we just need playing time," Knox said. "We are hoping to get as a team as the season goes on. How well we do will depend on how well everyone accepts their roles."

The team proved it does not lack talent as it went 2-2 at the Missouri Southern tournament last weekend.

In the first game, they took on the University of Nebraska-Omaha losing 6-4. Sophomore Kendra Smith picked up a double and junior Darcie Heitschmidt recorded a triple in the game.

The 'Cats won 3-2 against Northeastern State University. Junior pitcher Carrie Ledesma notched the win, while junior Marta Hayes led the team to the victory with a two-run homerun with two outs in the seventh inning.

The 'Cats pulled out a 5-4 victory over Grandview College. Sophomore Michele Ansley picked up the win, and contributed a triple. Freshman Karla Stoll and Heitschmidt brought a double and triple to the effort.

Washburn downed the 'Cats in what Knox called an ugly game, 16-5. Sophomore Amanda Urquart and Heitschmidt hit 2-3 in the game.

Although the 'Cats have not played perfect thus far, Knox believes it's

nothing to worry about.

"We are making some early season mistakes but are starting out better than last year," she said. "We need to work on focusing on one pitch at a time, one game at a time."

Softball schedule

Feb. 24 Missouri Western
March 13 Missouri Southern Tournament @Joplin
March 13 Neb.-Omaha (SG)
March 13 Northeastern State (SG)
March 13 Grandview College (SG)
March 14 Washburn
March 19-21 Hawaii Hilo Tournament, @Kona
March 19 Brigham Young-Hawaii
March 19 Southern California (SG)
March 20 Hawaii Hilo (SG)
March 23 Hawaii Pacific
March 24 Brigham Young-Hawaii
March 28 Missouri Southern*
March 29 Pittsburg State*
March 31 Simpson College
April 1 Dana College
April 3 Missouri-Rolla*
April 5 Lincoln University*
April 7 Emporia State*
April 8 Missouri Western*
April 10-11 Missouri Western Tournament*
April 14 Central Missouri State*
April 17 Southwest Baptist*
April 18 Washburn
April 22 Truman State*
April 25-26 MIAA Tournament
April 28 Wayne State-Neb.

* is an MIAA conference opponent. Bold games take place at Bearcat Field. Unless otherwise noted, all games are double headers.

Women's team stands 3-0, undefeated in singles action

by JP Farris

Chief Reporter

The women's tennis team remain undefeated at 3-0, after defeating William Jewell College, 9-0, Wednesday.

This continues the women's singles dominance over opponents, remaining undefeated in singles play.

The 'Cats were led by No. 1 singles player Yasmine Osborn who won 6-0, 6-0. It was the team's first shutout of the season. All three of the doubles teams won 8-1.

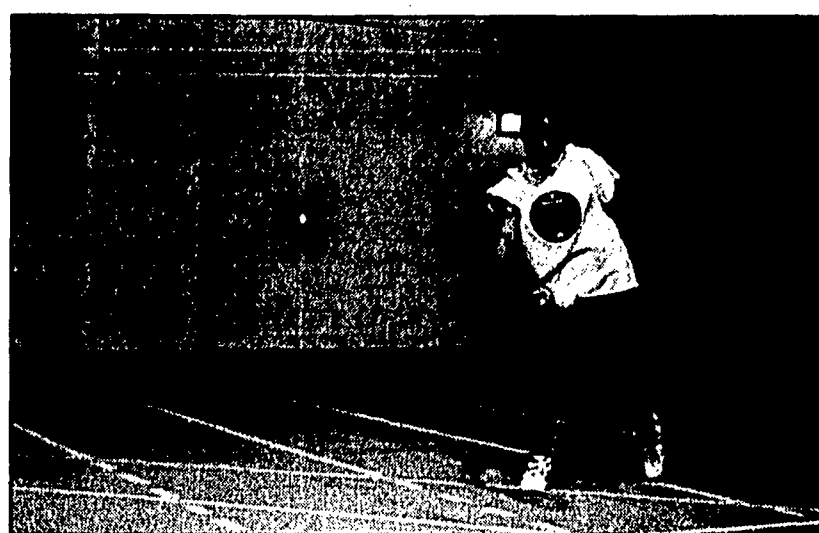
For the 2-2 men's squad, senior Reinhard Mosslinger was named the MIAA athlete of the week Tuesday.

"He's been playing very well," head coach Mark Rosewell said. "He's one of our leaders."

Mosslinger is only one of two players returning with experience from last season. He won two matches at No. 2 singles and two matches at No. 2 doubles this week.

He helped lead the 'Cats to a 6-3 win over the University of Missouri-Rolla. This was Northwest's conference opener. Singles wins from No. 3 Justin Hobart, No. 5 Brandon Willett, added with Mosslinger's win and a 3-0 sweep in doubles matches guided the 'Cats to the win.

The men defeated Graceland College, 7-2, Friday. No. 1 Gustavo



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Yasmine Osborn works her opponent over in Wednesday's win over William Jewell College. The women have yet to lose a match as a team this season.

Lazarte won 7-6, 6-2. Mosslinger defeated Luke Wickham 6-2, 6-0, and Hobart and Willett both won in three sets. No. 6 Jeb Long defeated his opponent 6-1, 6-3. Northwest swept the doubles matches.

The women downed Graceland 8-1, Thursday, moving their record to 2-0. The women swept the singles matches, including No. 2 Kim Buchan's 6-0, 6-0 win. The only loss came at the No. 3 doubles team of

Julie Ervin and Gina Hayes.

Both teams have had difficulty with the weather.

"The weather has been a little problem for us, but it's not as bad for us as other sports," Rosewell said.

The men are scheduled to play Friday against William Jewell, and the women's next match is Saturday against Henderson (Tenn.) State University at Johnson County Community College.

Baseball squad wins 1 at Joplin

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Despite three more cancellations this past week, the 'Cats were able to play two games in Joplin Saturday improving their record to 2-5.

In the first game, senior pitcher Mike Hollister went six strong innings to shut out the 14th-ranked University of Missouri-St. Louis, 4-0.

"Our people did a good job considering the layoff between our last game," head coach Jim Johnson said. "We played very well versus the 14th-ranked team in the nation, which demonstrates our capability to win."

Hollister tossed six shutout innings, allowing four hits and three walks while fanning seven batters, notching his record to 1-1.

On offense, junior centerfielder Keon Patton lead the 'Cats' charge. Patton was three of four at the plate with a stolen base and is batting .409 on the season with nine hits and seven stolen bases on seven attempts.

Also helping the 'Cats on offense were rightfielder Rusty Lashley, who was two of three at the plate, and third baseman Troy Gerlach, who was one of two and scored three runs. Both Hollister's and Patton's performances earned MIAA athletes of the week honors.

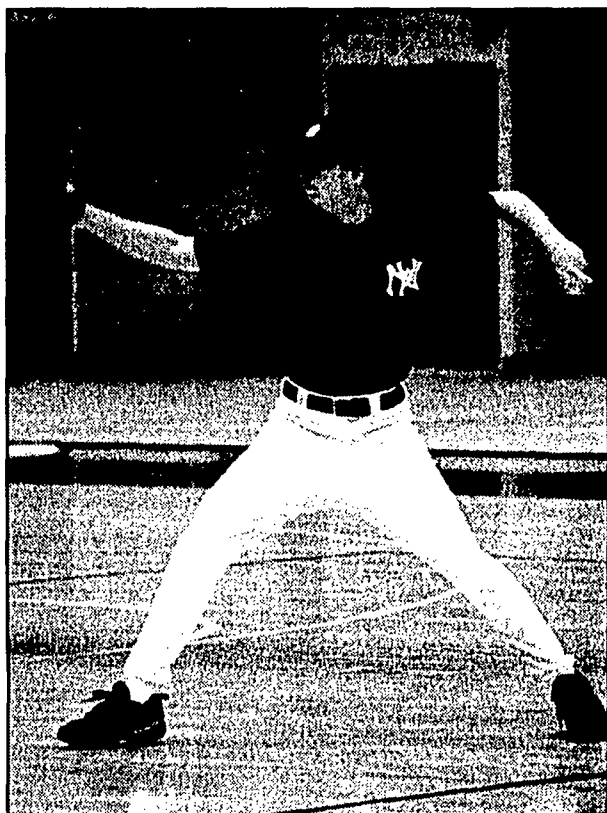
In the second game, the 'Cats were beaten by McKendree College, 6-5.

Northwest took advantage of some clutch hits to force the game into extra innings. Down by a score of 4-0 in the eighth inning, the 'Cats came back with two runs in the bottom half. After McKendree crossed the plate one more time in the top half of the ninth, the 'Cats roared back with three more runs to tie the score.

Junior pitcher Brian Day gave two strong innings of relief. He struck out two batters and pitched Northwest out of a jam with runners on in the 10th, before surrendering the winning run in the 11th inning.

"Brian Day may be our closer now after the way he pitched us out of trouble," Johnson said. "He kept us in the ball game in extra innings."

Offensively, the 'Cats were led by freshman Adam Bailey, who was two of four at the plate with one run.



John Petrovic/Staff Photographer

A member of the baseball team practices indoors because of the weather. The men stand 2-5 on the season.

Needing some production from the designated hitter spot in the lineup, Johnson inserted Bailey for the Joplin trip. He was three of seven at the plate.

"I was happy with it, being a freshman," Bailey said. "The pitching was good, so it was a tough battle. It's kind of a shame we lost the second one."

Johnson was impressed with the ninth-inning rally, but said the team failed on many scoring opportunities.

"We had an opportunity to win in the late innings, but got confused on a few base running signs that probably cost us the game," Johnson said. "That is most likely due, in part, to the lack of opportunities we have had to work on situations outdoors. Overall, I thought we showed progress."

The baseball team will travel to Southwest Baptist for a doubleheader at 1 p.m. today.

Track team seeks 6th straight title

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

The indoor track season came to a close last weekend, only to have the doors re-opened for the outdoor competition.

The women's track team will look to repeat as conference champions, completing a repeat as triple crown winners, winning their sixth straight conference title.

Head coach Vicki Wooton said the team will be led by a strong group of seniors, with added talent from the underclassmen.

"We want to win the MIAA and qualify as many as we can for the national meet, be in the top three teams in all meets," Wooton said. "With the group we have, we should be able to be competitors wherever we go and in whatever we do."

The hammer, javelin, 400-meter hurdles and 10,000-meter run are included in outdoor track and could bring additional points to the 'Cats.

The 'Cats will face their first competition of the season after spring break at the Northwest Invitational April 4 in Rickenbrode Stadium.

"Competing at home is always good and this is a big meet we need to get ready for," Wooton said. "We will be running against people we haven't competed against before. This meet will set the tone for the remainder of the season."

Men prepare to compete outdoors

Improvement is on the minds of the Bearcat men's track team as it begins a new season outdoors.

The inclement weather kept the team indoors for practice and out of competition when the Emporia State meet was cancelled.

The men will face their first competition of the season at the Northwest Invitational April 4 at home beginning their quest to improve on their indoor conference standing.

Playing host to the meet could be to the team's advantage but a lot of

effort must still be contributed, head coach Rich Alsop said.

"We have a lot to do in the next two and a half weeks to prepare for it, not only athletically but administratively," Alsop said.

The team will head into the meet with three more athletes, Damon Alsop, Russ Wentz and Curt Neely. The three will join the athletes who competed indoors.

In addition to added athletes, there will be six events added as the men head outside. This could help the team score more points at meets.

This year the team has more depth, opening up the possibilities, if the men can get over injuries. It will help them achieve their goal of improving on their indoor finish.

"No one was 100 percent satisfied with our effort indoors," Alsop said. "We need to find a place within us to pull a little more out of. We need to figure out how to compete more, and that it doesn't hurt anymore to give more effort."

Athletic Shorts

Bearcats send 5 to indoor nationals

On the heels of other Northwest winter sports, the indoor track teams were wrapping up their season with five athletes competing on the national level.

The women's indoor track team sent four athletes to the NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field Championships Friday and Saturday in the RCA Dome in Indianapolis.

Seniors Julie Humphreys and Misty Campbell along with junior Brandy Haan returned home with all-America honors.

Haan broke her own school record in the 55-meter dash with a time of 7.02 seconds, which was good enough to place her fourth in the event. She finished sixth in the event last year and repeats as an all-America athlete.

Humphreys finished fifth in the weight throw with a toss of 53-10 1/4, achieving all-America status in the

event. Campbell tied for sixth in the high jump with a leap of 5-5, repeating as an all-America.

Senior Leslie Dickherber competed in the shot put but fell short of the top six as did Humphreys. Competition was tougher this year, and Humphreys placed eighth and Dickherber placed 12th. Dickherber received all-America honors in the event last year.

Vicki Wooton, women's head coach said the women represented Northwest well, keeping up their regular season performances, finishing high while showing the toughness of the MIAA conference.

On the men's team, senior Chad Sutton was the lone Northwest representative.

Sutton was a returning all-America in his event, the high jump, and fell short of the honor tying for seventh in the event with a jump of 6'8".

All-America status is awarded to the top six American athletes in any given event.

Football team adds player to '98 roster

Although spring sports are taking the spotlight, the Northwest football team is preparing for next season with off-season practice and adding to its roster.

Ryan Miller, Pierce City High School, signed a national letter of intent to play for the Bearcats.

Miller, a 6 foot, 175 pounder, was a standout defensive back at Pierce City and will play in the defensive secondary for the 'Cats. While at Northwest, Miller will compete in the pole vault in track and field. Miller presently averages nearly 20 points a game for the Pierce City basketball team.

"We're very happy to add Ryan to our football team," said Bart Tatum, Northwest assistant coach who recruited Miller said. "He is an outstanding athlete and an outstanding young man."

Miller is the 17th freshman to sign at Northwest.

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Cutting athletes causes problems for golf coach

by **Burton Taylor**
Chief Reporter

Tryouts are normally one of the easier hurdles to jump when it comes to the golf season.

But head coach Pat Turner said with such an incredible group of golfers to choose from this season, it has been really tough.

The Maryville boys' golf team is in its second round of tryouts. The team started out with 35 boys and have 18 remaining after the first cut.

"We have about three times as many boys trying out this season than in the past," Turner said.

The Spoofhounds have some new talent entering the mix this year. Four boys moved to Maryville this season and are trying to grab a spot on the team. Turner said they all have a lot of promise.

The team has been improving more each year, Turner said. The team hopes to go farther than it has in the past, and Turner believes with the combination of new and old players they should be competitive.

Of the players trying out, there are a few who are sticking out among the rest, Turner said. Freshman Bobby Gumm has impressed her with his performance so far.

The weather has postponed a week of tryouts for the 'Hounds and Turner said she hopes to be finished with the final picks by Friday.

The Spoofhounds' first match is scheduled for March 27 and will be at a course in Savannah.

The team placed fourth in the Midland Empire Conference Tournament and continued to compete in the district tournament from there last year.

Once the team made it to districts, things just did not work out in its favor, but Turner believes this season should be better.

"We have a nice spread this season, and we are expecting a good year," Turner said.

The team has new shirts and golf bags, which it believes will be a benefit.

"We are going to dress the part, look the part and play the part," Turner said.



The Maryville baseball team warms up in the high school gym as they prepare to practice Wednesday. The Spoofhounds open their season

Monday against East Buchanan. The 'Hounds will be trying to improve from last year's 11-7 mark.

Baseball squad ready to fight

by **Scott Summers**
Community Sports Editor

The Spoofhounds hope to hit the baseball diamond with a vengeance this season and improve upon last year's 11-7 record.

Head coach Brian Lohafer said his squad will be a little bit younger than it has been in the past but has strong senior leadership.

Senior captains Grant Sutton and Russ Wiederholt, both all-conference selections last season, will anchor the team.

Lohafer said he is also fortunate that senior Chad Peterson, one of his top hurlers, will be back on the mound again.

The 'Hounds are forced to replace their entire outfield, and also fill gaps left by graduating seniors

at shortstop and second base.

Although Sutton primarily played third base last year, Lohafer is may put him at shortstop.

Despite the difficulties of filling empty positions after graduation, Lohafer said having a younger team may help the 'Hounds.

"In the spring, senioritis begins to set in," Lohafer said. "Maybe having a predominantly junior and sophomore team will help us focus a little better."

Depth at the positions should not be a problem for Maryville. Approximately 13 of the players on the squad could be starters, but Lohafer will narrow that number to nine before games begin.

"We are a pretty well-rounded team overall," Wiederholt said.

The Spoofhounds will have to

66 *Maybe having a predominantly junior and sophomore team will help us focus a little better."*

■ **Brian Lohafer**,
Maryville High School baseball coach

overcome some fierce competition if they are to do well.

Maryville will have to contend with the usual foes, such as Benton, Lafayette, Chillicothe and Savannah, Lohafer said.

In addition, three new teams will join the Midland Empire Conference this season.

Platte County, Smithville and Cameron will provide the 'Hounds with extra challenges throughout

the year.

The most important thing his team needs to accomplish this season is to "gel," Lohafer said.

"Since a lot of the players haven't played together as a group, they need to come together early," Lohafer said.

Maryville's first chance to show what they are made of this season will come Monday when the team plays host to East Buchanan.

Spring sports bring opportunities for leisure time during later life

Spring sports give everyone an opportunity to take part in athletics.

Unlike the fall with football and the winter with basketball and wrestling, spring sports can be played for a lifetime.

Some of these sports include:

tennis, golf and track.

While football and wrestling can only be taken advantage of at a young age, tennis and golf can be enjoyed even at age 80.

Although basketball can be played in later years, you don't see too many 65-year-old men playing one-on-one out at the park. But on any given day in the summer, you can see the older generation taking



■ **Colin McDonough**

advantage of the golf course or tennis courts.

Tennis is my personal favorite because it does not always take the greatest athlete to compete. Sure, if you want to make the pro tour, you are going to need an athletic body. But if you only want to go out and hit the ball back and forth across the net, it does not require the athletic ability of Michael Jordan.

Golf is yet another favorite of mine because I can envision myself making the shots the pros make. The key being the ability to envision, not actually visualize.

But still it's a fun sport to play, because it can be enjoyed at any age and anytime. There are no limits as to who can play the game.

Plus it's fun to make a birdie every now and then, and bounce back with a double bogey to put you in your place.

Although it's a frustrating game at times, it can challenge you mentally. Especially if a tee shot

requires you to hit over a body of water. The best way to get it across is to skip it like a rock. So then you have to find the best way to get up and down from any spot on the course.

Track is another sport that can be advantageous to participate in because with the younger population it is rare for them to exercise. Many would rather sit in front of a computer or the television than to go out and have fun in the outside world.

Even walking can be to your advantage. Try and enjoy a leisurely walk every once in awhile. What can it hurt?

Nothing.

So go out and enjoy spring sports. They will make life even more fun than sitting home and watching TV or playing video games.

Colin McDonough is the managing editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Experience favors squad

by **Alex Berry**
Missourian Staff

The tennis season is bouncing around once again, and an overlap of players from last year gives the Maryville boys' team confidence about the upcoming season.

Head coach P.K. Krokstrom has high expectations for this year's team. The tennis team played through a competitive schedule and received many solid performances. This time around Krokstrom expects to have an even better outcome.

"I think we can do really well," Krokstrom said. "We have three or four strong players returning, and our ultimate goal is to get back to the state tournament."

The 'Hounds will be guided by junior Deno Groumoutis, who is expected to fill the No. 1 varsity position this year.

Groumoutis led the team last spring with a 20-3 record. He also earned conference and district titles en route to a seventh-place

finish at the state tournament last year.

Junior Jeremy Gaa will return to the team and hopes to retain his No. 2 spot from last year.

Senior Jamie Loch is also a returning letterman. Plans call for him to fit in as third on the varsity depth chart.

Some of the hardest competition during the season will come against Savannah and LeBlond, Krokstrom said.

"We have one of the toughest areas for tennis, at least for our size of school," Krokstrom said. "But we hope to play hard against them like we did last year and come out on top."

Many individual players are confident heading into the year.

"I want to take one match at a time and not look past anyone," Groumoutis said. "I would like to improve this year and finish in the top three at state."

The Spoofhounds' first match is at 4 p.m., March 27, at Savannah.

Bench Warmer

NCAA fever, upsets lead strange week

The wide world of sports took a few crazy, unpredictable turns this week, stopping only to screw my NCAA tournament brackets along the way.



■ **Scott Summers**

Valparaiso University (they're from somewhere in Indiana I hear) shocked the University of Mississippi when Bryce Drew's desperation three-pointer found its target, giving the 13th-seeded Crusaders a one-point victory.

The Crusaders then stomped on Florida State University in overtime to earn a trip to the Sweet 16. Cinderella has found her slipper.

Without a doubt the biggest upset thus far in the dance was the University of Rhode Island's 80-75 win over the top-ranked University of Kansas.

The Jayhawks, my personal choice to cut down the nets in San Antonio, fell victim to Rhode Island's incredible shooting behind the three-point arc.

Much like previous tournament losses, the Jayhawks panicked when they realized time was running out. Instead of pounding the ball inside to forwards Raef LaFrentz and Paul Pierce, their two all-Americans, Kansas became unglued and started tossing up perimeter shots like mad.

In what was widely regarded as the easiest bracket, the Midwest ended up being the most spectacular during the first weekend.

Dear God, What is wrong with sports in the Kansas City area?

Every year the Chiefs dominate their opponents until the playoffs roll around.

Every year, the Jayhawks are slated as a favorite to win the NCAA tournament.

Every year, the Royals... Oops, my mistake.

Mental note: Never bet on a Kansas City team.

Sincerely,
A die-hard fan

Baseball season is finally here.

With the start of the season comes the annual belief that the Royals will somehow climb from the depths of the cellar into first place.

Tony Muser, in his first season as the Royals' skipper, has been telling fans the team will get back to fundamentals and finally begin to crawl up the standings.

Muser will soon learn that optimism always fades to disappointment, at least by October.

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

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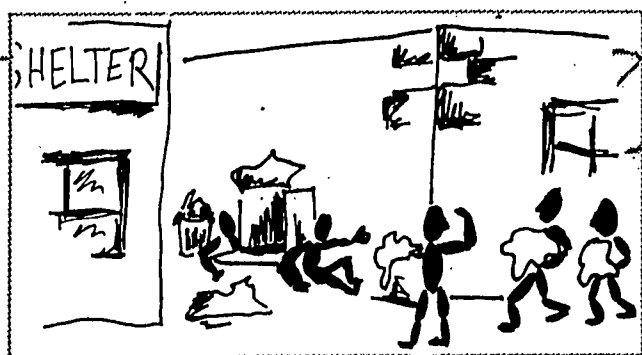
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Travelling tips

1. Wear sunscreen with an SPF of 15 especially from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. when the sun rays are the strongest.
2. Have a spring break you remember — avoid binge drinking, which means not having five or more drinks in a sitting.
3. If driving, take along a wireless phone, but use it safely. Know that 60,000 calls are made each day from wireless phones to 911 and about 22 million to other emergency numbers nationwide. Take caution when using a wireless phone. Keep it located in an easy to reach place in the vehicle so the driver's eyes can stay focused on the road.
4. To avoid shoes from stinking up your clothes and luggage, use cedar shoe trees to help absorb perspiration and deodorize the leather.
5. Those going to Florida, take note of driving differences:
 - Right turns at red lights are legal in Florida unless otherwise posted.
 - Florida law requires low beam headlights to be turned on when your windshield wipers are on.
 - Be cautious when driving because of a condition called "Florida Ice." This is when the roadways have oil deposit buildups and when mixed with a little rain can cause hazardous driving conditions.
6. Those traveling to Canada, take note of cost differences:
 - The exchange rate is U.S. \$1=C\$1.37.
 - Restaurant meals should be budgeted at US \$15-25.
 - The largest expense will be accommodation.
 - Food prices are a little higher than U.S. prices.
 - It's best to change money at companies such as Thomas Cook, which specializes in international transactions.
 - A normal tip is considered to be between 10 and 15 percent of the bill.

Students gain culture awareness, help others

Laura Prichard
Missourian Staff

While some students are packing suntan lotion and swimsuits for spring break, five Wesley Center members and their minister will be packing hammers and saws to volunteer in the Appalachian Service Project.

The members will travel to Jonesville, Va., to spend their spring break repairing homes in the Appalachian Mountain region. Although some tools are provided, members are packing their own because almost 60 people will be working with them in Virginia.

"Students who are going will benefit in a variety of ways," said Don Ehlers, Wesley Center minister. "They will gain an understanding of what it is to go out and help people. They will gain maintenance skills, and they will develop skills of self proficiency. Most importantly, it will sensitize them to needs other people in the world have that we don't have."

This project will be a good way to share God's love through service, Ehlers said.

The program was introduced to the Wesley Center by member Erin Avery. She became active in the program through her church in Massachusetts, who has participated in ASP for nine years.

"I've been going for five years with my church back home," Avery said. "I decided to bring it here."

Besides Avery, Ben Savage also experienced working on service projects. He hopes to gain satisfaction by helping others less fortunate. He also hopes the group's friendship and spirituality will grow.

"I have worked on several service projects through my church but not ASP," Savage said. "Working with ASP is going to be a new experience."

Before the group could make their journey to Virginia, they had to raise money. Fund raising began with selling pumpkin pies at Thanksgiving and Christmas lights around Christmas. The group also sponsored a "Rock-a-thon" where the members sat in rocking chairs and rocked for 24 hours.

Pastor Larry Linville of First United Methodist Church in Maryville donated the sales of his book, "Getting Fired Up: Devotions for Christian Athletes," to the group.

"The church supports ASP and tries to help send camps to work on the project," Linville said. "I'm real proud to see youth use their spring break to help other people."

This is the first year the Wesley Center has participated in ASP, but service projects are not uncommon to the organization. Last spring, the group helped build a church that was flooded out by the 1993 flood.

"We try to do one a year," Ehlers said. "But it takes a lot of organization and money to do it."

With the money raised and the right tools, the group is ready to head to Virginia. Both Avery and Savage expressed the group's excitement in their mission.

"As a group, we're really excited that we're going and sacrificing time to help people on spring break," Ehlers said.

Baptist Student Union

The Wesley Center is not the only group doing good deeds during spring break. The Baptist Student Union is driving to Manitoba, Canada, to help the homeless, do some inner city ministry and help the City Union Gospel Mission with construction projects.

Every year, the BSU plans a trip for spring break in which they can explore cultures and help others. This year, 22 members are volunteering their free time and faith in God to those less fortunate.

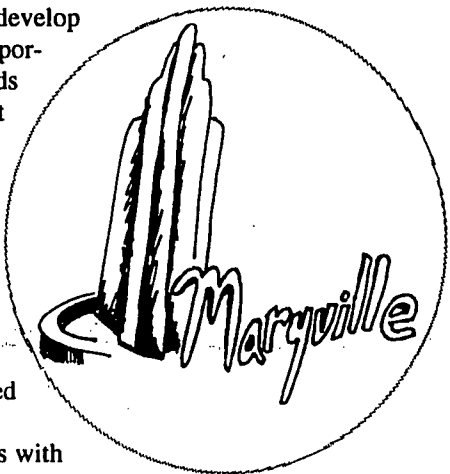
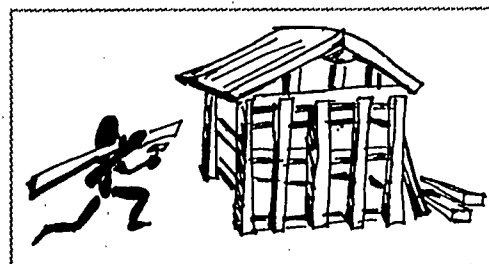
"I am excited for the trip because we are going to be able to have interaction with the community," BSU member Brenda Bressette said. "We will be able to share in our beliefs and learn the culture of Native Americans."

The BSU will be volunteering for several different activities while in Canada. Working with youth groups, tutoring children from the church day care and working with inner city children will be only a few of their daily routines.

The trip is a learning experience for BSU students and the people they will be helping.

"Hopefully we can introduce students to new cities, broaden their world view and of course help others in the process," said Darren King, director of the BSU.

The BSU hopes to leave Canada with a stronger sense of knowledge about its culture and the satisfaction of lending a helping hand.



Hot Spots

Warm weather, sunny beaches; students ready to forget worries

by Ashley Gerken and Wee Lee Chan
Missourian Staff

Many students are flocking south this spring break with hopes of escaping the freezing weather in Maryville.

The most desirable destination for college student this year is South Padre Island in Texas.

"South Padre has been a hot spot for the past few years and is continually a place chosen by groups of students," said Bridget Brown, Cotter Travel manager.

"South Padre Island is typically for those individuals who are looking for a party atmosphere, warm weather and reasonable costs. "Most of the students chose to travel in groups of four or more because it makes the costs cheaper," said Phyllis Adams, sales representative at Maryville Travel.

Students traveling to South Padre Island are taking several different means of transportation. Flying to South Padre Island costs \$260 round trip while taking a charter bus is around \$100.

"Many people are choosing to drive on their trips to save money," Adams said. "Airfare is very competitive this time of the year."

The second hottest spot this spring break is Las Vegas. Airfare to Vegas is \$150 round trip. Students traveling to Las Vegas are interested in hitting the gambling scene and viewing the different shows offered.

If a Spring Break destination without thousands of people is in mind, there are alternatives. San Diego, New Orleans and San Antonio are all popular places for a peaceful break.

"These are destinations we try to sell to those people to who aren't the big party animals, like warm weather and want to participate in different tourist activities," Brown said.

This spring vacation, there are not as many travelers because of the bad weather which is greatly affected by El Niño, Brown said.

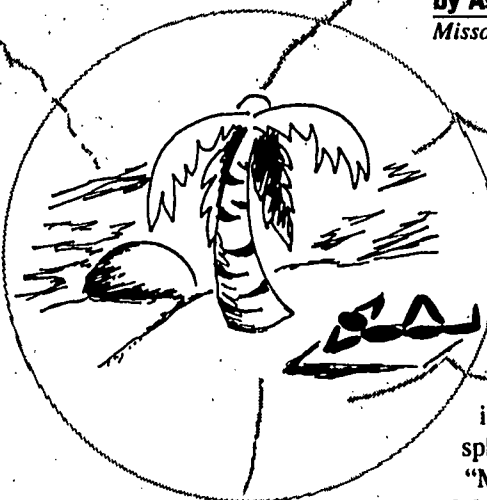
Whether on the beach or skiing down the slopes, it is important to keep safety in mind.

Health educator Mary Byron-Garcia reemphasizes the concern that student do not keep safety in mind because a lot of times students are more likely to party and have unsafe sex.

While making new acquaintances during spring break, it is essential to realize that an estimated 40 million Americans have genital herpes and 1 million are living with HIV/AIDS.

A study conducted by the American Social Health Association indicated that 85 percent of women students are sexually active and that almost half of all the women surveyed use no protection against sexually transmitted diseases.

Although having fun and relaxing are crucial factors for many college students during spring break, it is also crucial to be safe and aware of situations.



St. Patrick's Day Luck O' the Irish

Community participates in festivities;
Maryville becomes Ireland for a day



Brock Bult (top) finishes off his bone of beer before watching the world's shortest parade. Spectators (below left) gather outside after the parade waiting to file back into the bar.

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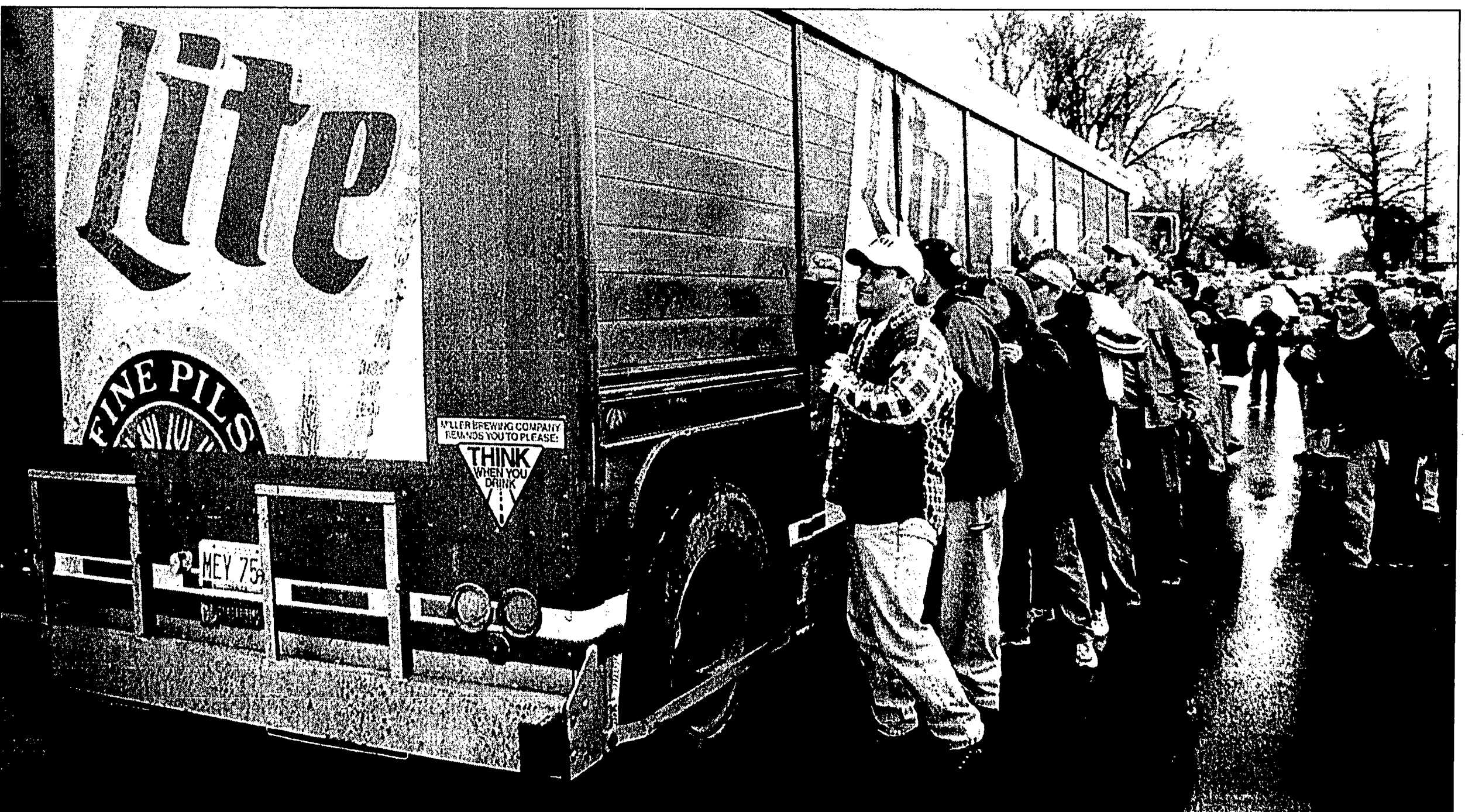


In celebration (left) several patrons stand on the bar in the Palm's beer garden to make themselves seen. (Below) At the end of the parade a cement truck dumps green water down the street. (Bottom) Many parade spectators pound on the side of the Miller Lite beer truck as it passes by them.

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The Stroller

Your Man's spring break tips



The Stroller

Weekly Wanderer offers advice for those heading south

Spring break is moments away or already in full swing, depending on when you read this. Spring break is one of those win-win situations.

Professors love it because they are on break too. No classes, just kicking back and reading a good book on the newest theories in their field.

Maryvillians love it because they don't have to put up with all the partying and stupidity us hooligans bring to the town (Although they do love our money).

Public Safety officers love it because they can rest after St. Patrick's Day. Not to mention that Buchanan Street is a lot calmer on Thursday nights when we are not here.

Most of all, we love it. No more teachers, no more books, no more responsibility and definitely no more sobriety.

Ahh spring break, surely a holiday invented by a god.

I could use this space to admonish you about being good and responsible on spring break, but realistically it doesn't matter what anyone says — you are going to be nuttier than a walnut tree.

I just hope those of you going to Panama City, Padre Island or Cancun, Mexico represent Northwest well. This means you need to be the first ones to hit the bars and the last ones to go home. I know they won't be dumping green beer down the middle of the street, but you need to party like they are pouring the beer.

Here are some tips on how to represent Northwest for you first time spring breakers.

- Minors — get a new fake. That one of the kid you kind of resemble from high school you have been using at the fine establishments around Maryville is not going to fly. Believe it or not, the dance clubs you are going to don't want to sell to you if you are not 21.

- Don't have all your cash in one spot. While Maryville is an urban metropolis and there is crime, they are a lot meaner and craftier in other parts of the world — trust me. You only increase your chances of being a victim if you wear a Northwest shirt. Your shirt might as well say, "I'm from a hick school up North. Wanna take all my money?"

- If you are going to Mexico, do not try and blend into the culture. Those of you who can't speak Spanish, don't try. Should you end up in a jail in some remote part of Mexico, you are going to be there until NAFTA fails and we overrun the country. All you need to know is: la cerveza (beer) and Dónde está el baño? (where's the bathroom).

- Don't mess with the ocean. That big blue body of water that tastes like 100 percent salt is called the ocean. Besides all the chemicals that are being dumped into it, there are plenty of things lurking below it. Such as currents that will pull you under and jellyfish that will sting you silly. No matter what your friends say, it is still not a good idea to swim drunk.

- Use protection — from the sun. It has been awhile since Maryville has seen the sun. In case you have forgotten, it will burn you bad. You'll look real cool next Monday when you walk into class beat red except for the

outline of the shades you wore around your eyes.

- If you see Northwest people, act like you know them. Chances are they are so drunk they will pretend they know you too.

- If you make it on MTV's spring break shows do not say something ignorant and embarrass the whole school. Nothing will ruin the good rep we have for ourselves than one of you saying, "Our campus smells like cow droppings," on national television. On the flip side, if you run around the stage throwing condoms to everyone that will definitely earn us bonus points.

- Ladies, if your body is not cut out for a two-piece swimsuit, don't try and squeeze into one. You will decrease your chances of some guy buying you a beer if your suit is so tight you are unable to breathe. Guys, do not under any circumstances wear a Speedo. There is no possible way anyone could ever look good in one. The only way someone will notice you wearing that is when everyone on the beach points and laughs.

- Do not use any corny lines to try and pick up the opposite sex. These include lines that you have heard in movies, read in junk e-mails or used in high school. If these lines work, you are not talking to the Homecoming queen or king.

- If you are going through Arkansas, Tennessee or any other hillbilly state (this includes southern Missouri) do not stop for gas, snacks or any other reason. Billy Joe will not take kindly to your yankee accent and cute jokes about ordering grits. More than likely he will have Jim Bob fetch his rifle so he can fix yas.

- Pretend like you are cultured and you are not impressed easily by big places. Things like saying, "Look, they have two dance floors," will not leave a good impression.

- Do not for any reason take your books with you. I don't care if you are a pre-med major. For this one week, you are going to party like you are a physical education major. Besides you can't retain anything when you are drunk 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

- If anyone in your group says "I miss Maryville," beat them and beat them hard. It is tough love, but we can't have people going around being delusional.

For nine months out of the year, our reality is a little hamlet nestled in one of the most inaccessible places in the world. The one week we are able to interact with the rest of civilization with pristine beaches, warm weather and an endless steam of alcohol as our backdrop, you are thinking about Maryville?

Everyone of you have a great time and be safe. This week is about relaxing from the pressures of academic performance. The people and places will be new and you are probably not going to see any of them again in your life — so live it up.

Look out world, here come the Bearcats.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Having debts
6. The _____ Mask
10. Unpleasant remark
14. Home of the brave?
15. Impressed
16. "Nothing can need _____" (George Herbert)
17. Scrumptious
18. Church house
20. Yoko _____
21. Overwhelm
23. Beld object
24. Jagger

25. Potter's need

27. Spinning sounds
30. Esteemed
34. Desert refuge
35. Receive
36. Motorists' org.
37. Swathe
38. Throw down the gauntlet
39. Add one's John Hancock
40. Schedule abbr.
41. Labyrinths
42. Meditated

43. Hoodwinked

45. Showy wear
46. Toboggan
47. The _____ of Navarone
48. Michelangelo work
51. Sea eagle
52. _____ Rio, Texas
55. Edge
58. _____ Island
60. Hop _____ (2 words)
61. Hold up!
62. Nurses' helpers

63. Glossy fashion

64. Hops drier
65. Jaworski and Trotsky

DOWN

1. Songwriter Harbach
2. Encourage to break a habit
3. _____ facto
4. Bottom line
5. Icelandic attractions
6. Victory Over _____ (Ellen Gilchrist)
7. Off
8. Ullm article
9. Publishing house employees: abbr.
10. Before boat or split
11. Turkish regiment
12. Manipulates fraudulently
13. Root plant
19. Young nocturnal bird
22. _____ Vegas
24. Stick-in-the-mud
25. Marriage proposers

Answers to last issue's puzzle



26. Roman date
27. Impressed
28. Truthful James author
29. Author Asimov
30. Strayed
31. Elevate
32. Zealous
33. Swell
35. Stared
38. The Chipmunks' pal
39. Bleaches
41. Visconti family's dominion
42. Collier's find
44. Tara or Monticello
45. Workaholic's lack
47. Like Pip's expectations
48. Head
49. Subject of blind adoration
50. Injurious
51. Id's associates
52. Dull-witted person
53. Steinbeck's East of _____
54. Devoid of: suffix
56. Twins number
57. Villian's cry
59. Make tracks



Kansas City

March 19 — Buffalo Hair, Coterie Theatre.
March 19 — K.C. Attack vs. Edmonton Driller, Kemper Arena
March 20 — K.C. Blades vs. Orlando Solar Bears, Kemper Arena
March 26-29 — NCAA Hoop City, Bartle Hall.
April 2 — Eric Clapton, Kemper Arena.
April 15-19 — Schoolhouse Rock Live, Coterie Theatre.
April 18 — Marian McPartland Trio, Folly Theater.

Area Events

Omaha

March 21 — Geoff Moore, Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
April 1 — Dread Zeppelin, Ranch Bowl.
April 11 — Sarah McLachlan, Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
April 16 — Shrine Circus, Civic Auditorium Arena.
April 17-19 — Stomp, Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
April 19 — Alabama, AKSABen Coliseum.
April 23 — Saviour, Civic Auditorium Music Hall.

Des Moines

March 19-21 — Boys' State Basketball Tournament, Vet's Auditorium.
March 20-29 — Food Chain, Civic Center.
April 9 — Kinleys, Supertoad.
April 10-12 — "Sesame Street Live," Civic Center.
April 17-19 — "West Side Story," Civic Center.
April 24 — Collin Raye, Civic Center.
May 1-3 — Tap Dogs, Civic Center.

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